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Regarding: Interview for U.S. Application No. 10/016,661, filed 10/29/2001

Dear Mr. Gebresilassie:

For our scheduled telephonic interview on Tuesday January 10, 2006 at 2pm EST, we would like to discuss the following:

1. We would like to discuss whether Itoh (U.S. Patent No. 6,259,453) in fact teaches constructing a plurality of long elements in a computer, as suggested by the Examiner.
2. We would like to discuss whether Itoh in fact teaches configuring a computer based on a plurality of long elements wherein the number of long elements is proportional to  $b^2$ , where  $b$  is a length of a side of a deformable medium, as suggested by the Examiner.

Thank you,  
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